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## J. F. FLOWERS

"THE CASH STORE"

### SAYS THE OWL

There are just as good fish stories as have ever been caught.

The worst thing about a theory is that it seldom pays dividends.

Too many men are measured by the size of their bank accounts.

The greatest drawback to a long life is that it necessitates old age.

Money talks, and that seems to be the best sort of campaign oratory.

If some men should ever rise in the world it would probably make them dizzy.

The love of money that is the root of all evil is really the love of other people's.

No man thoroughly believes in himself unless he has full confidence in his digestion.

The early bird gets the worm, but, on the other hand, the early worm merely gets eaten.

A girl generally keeps on the right side of a chaparral if she happens to be bent in that way.

Only a very rich man can afford to dress as though he didn't have one cent to rub against another.

The man who complains that he never has a chance is the one who allows some other fellow to grab it first.

### THE GENTLE CYNIC

A man with a long head is worth two with long faces.

The noblest work of God is man, or, at least, some of him.

Eve fell, and it wasn't because she wore a hobble skirt, either.

You have to probe pretty deep to find the probity of some men.

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The honest breeder culls.  
Watch the elevator scales!  
Real co-operation means success.  
Where moisture permits, push the plow.

A hasty temper and a slow horse are ill-suited to each other.  
Don't expect to make a three-bagger every time you go to bat.  
Strange that "tainting the town red" makes one's friends blue!  
"An honest man is the noblest work of God"—and about the scarcest.  
Ignorance is not always bliss—particularly in the farming business.  
Some things come to those who wait, but opportunity is not among the comers.

Many a bad actor is a good actor, and that's how he manages to fool the public.

City folks are asking the farmers to produce more. Why? So they can buy for less. Is that a good bait?

The political rally doesn't draw the farmer as it used to. He isn't taking the other man's opinion for granted now, but reads and draws his own conclusions.

Fifteen years ago the farmers were called close. Could you expect him to have been otherwise than close when 15 cents was the best he could get for his corn?

There is no complaint now of the farmer not spending his money. In fact, Wall Street rather laments that he is too free with it and all because he likes to ride in an auto the same as the Wall Street man.

### WHAT FARMER REALLY NEEDS

Co-Operation in All Branches of Agricultural Industry to Secure His Just Rights.

I lately attended a meeting of a farmers' co-operative elevator company. This company is incorporated to buy grain and do a merchandising business as conditions may indicate. The question of handling lumber, tiles and machinery was taken up. In acting on these questions I was surprised to find so many farmers opposed to taking up such business, says a writer in the Farm, Stock and Home.

I once heard of a man who was kicked and knocked down, and after other abuse warned the ruffian to desist or he would get mad. Now the farmers have for years submitted to all kinds of extortion and misrepresentation from local dealers, besides having local dealers discourage them in their efforts to organize co-operative enterprises, and in many cases their co-operative efforts of every kind. Now when the question comes up to handle machinery and other needed things, they hesitate.

Farmers should go into business of all kinds that necessity prompts them to get into, be honest with each other, give their young educated sons a chance to use their education in touch with farm life. I am sick and tired of all this institute and farm school talk and expense. It is a travesty to the farmer's intelligence. We have for years and of necessity striven to raise more and better crops of all kinds, also striven to obtain the best seeds, but of what avail is it when we are literally robbed of our just returns through the present extravagant trade system. Change the whole form of instruction, to teaching us to co-operate instead of discouraging co-operating, then some good would come from money expended. I do not go on record against education upon all lines, but now the most important education the farmer needs is how to co-operate, to the point of eliminating all useless middlemen. As it is now, we are supporting an army of absolutely needless middlemen. Their competition is so great that they have combined on all lines to enable them to live, no matter how many enter into the business of standing between the farmer and his necessities.

The price of wheat locally I claim would have averaged one dollar or more per bushel, and flour sold at same price it has sold at for the past twenty years, had the unnecessary middleman been eliminated. Co-operation is the only possible way that the farmer can receive what he is entitled to receive for his products, or be able to purchase his necessities.

How long will it be before the farmer will awaken? How many more cuffs and kicks before he will give warning that he may possibly get mad? For one, I will admit I have long been ready to give warning that I am ready to get mad.

Co-operate; teach co-operating upon all lines or the future of the farmer is hopeless. I care not how hard he struggles. More weight is being added to his burdens every year, the last straw will be reached soon, and with it the desire for independent farm homes will disappear, then the nation with the most liberal form of government will prove a failure. Farmers, every hour spent in solving the problem of co-operation is of more real value to you in time and money, than weeks of work under present unjust conditions of distribution. Arise, awaken, co-operate upon all lines or all will soon be lost.

### DECISIONS FROM THE BENCH

The man who is getting the most out of life is letting the other fellow do the worrying.

An ideal wife and an ideal husband are two of a kind; but they seldom make a pair.

While it takes only two to make a quarrel, a third is usually present.

Uncle Ezra is right in his decision that shoplifting and souvenir hunting are more closely related than first cousins.

When the country needs a rain the president should declare a holiday.

The man who does his duty day by day never worries about the morrow.

A physician asserted the other day that those who have heart disease should not marry. Some was replied that there would be no marriage then, as only those with heart trouble get married.

The best check for literary aspirations has "Please pay to" on it.—Judge's Library.

### ORIGIN OF NAMES

Ruth is Hebrew and means Beauty.

James is of Hebrew origin, the Beguiler.

Harold, the Champion, is of Saxon origin.

Meredith is Celtic, the Roaring of the Sea.

Roxana is a Persian name, the Day Dawn.

Huldah, from the Hebrew, means a Weasel.

Constantine is Latin, signifying the Resolute.

Moses, a Hebrew name, means Drawn Out.

Eugenia and Eugenie are Greek, Well Born.

Agnes is of German origin, the Chaste One.

### Bulletin on Grasses.

The Kansas experiment station at Manhattan has issued bulletin No. 175 on grasses. It contains much valuable information on many different varieties of grasses, their uses and production.

### A FAMILY BULLETIN BOARD

Dr. Samuel Johnson gave us a quaint pair of phrases when he wrote that the death of Garriek, "eclipsed the gaiety of nations and impoverished the public stock of harmless pleasure." Yet there is needed a third that shall cover "diminishing a people's daily comfort," to follow the Johnsonian style.

There are so many little sins of omission or commission that give others discomfort or petty annoyance, writes Tudor Jenks in the Christian Endeavor World. I beg to offer a list that might well be posted on that "family bulletin board" that should hang in every front hallway:

- Dispose of your own burnt matches, broken needles or bent pins.
- Others like the brownest pancakes.
- Reading extracts is often tiresome.
- Throw all waste paper into the basket.
- Good manners are a public benefaction.
- Have pencils, pens and paper of your own.
- Argument may offend even when it convinces.
- Put your book back into place on the shelves.
- The salespeople are not allowed to answer back.
- When making a call remember you have a home.
- Hang up towels, dusters, polishing cloths and mops.
- Don't borrow stamps or ask friends for small change.
- Though your affliction may be great, it is not universal.
- A boy seldom whistles well enough to make it a treat.
- Remember that trifles use up other's time as well as yours.
- It is likely someone may be waiting for the telephone wire.
- Your best friend does not always like your favorite book.
- Many things new to you have long been familiar to others.
- The rules of hygiene are not always a part of the Holy Scriptures.
- Keep a dog if you must, but don't impose the animal on the whole neighborhood.
- The whole neighborhood has an interest in the neatness of your home grounds.
- People don't like to say, "Mind your own business," but they often think it unless we are careful.

### THOUGHTS ON LOVE

Divine is love and scorneth worldly self.  
And can be bought with nothing but with self.  
—Sir Walter Raleigh.

If a man should ask me to give a reason why I loved him, I find it could not otherwise be expressed than by making answer, Because it was he, because it was I. There is, beyond all that I am able to say, an inexplicable and fated power, I know not what, that brought about this union.—Montaigne.

True love is but a humble, low-born thing.  
And hath its food served up in earth-  
enware;  
It is a thing to walk with, hand in hand,  
Through the every-dayness of this  
workday world. —Lowell.

I love thee as the good love heaven.  
—Longfellow.

Love leads to present rapture then to pain;  
But all, through love, in time is healed again. —Leland.

The pleasure of love is in loving.  
We are happier in the sentiment we feel than in what we arouse.—La Rochefoucauld.

But great loves to the last have pulses red;  
All great loves that have ever died dropped dead. —Helen Hunt.

### UNCLE EZRA DISCOVERS THAT:

"A skyscraper never raises much of a dust."

"The main trouble with loose change is that it's gen'ly too loose."

"The man who depen's on book farmin' gen'ly has more readin' matter than produce."

"When opportunity knocks at some folks' doors the latchstring 'pears to be on the inside."

"The child born with a silver spoon in its mouth don't begin life with the right kind of vittles."

"Makin' a mountain out of a molehill is all right pervidin' they's a big demand fur real estate."



### GOOD QUALITIES OF CAPONS

Although industry is growing rapidly Supply Does Not Begin to Equal the Demand.

(By R. R. SLOCUM.)  
A capon is a male chicken bearing the same relation to a cockerel that a steer does to a bull, a barrow to a boar or a wether to a ram. As with other animals of this kind, the disposition of the capon differs materially from that of the cockerel. He no longer shows any disposition to fight, is much more quiet and is easy to keep within bounds. The true capon never crows. Along with this change in disposition there is a change in appearance. The comb and wattles cease growing, which causes the head to appear small. The hucker and saddle feathers develop beautifully. Indeed, these feathers and the undeveloped comb and wattles serve to identify the capon and in consequence should never be removed when the bird is dressed for the market.

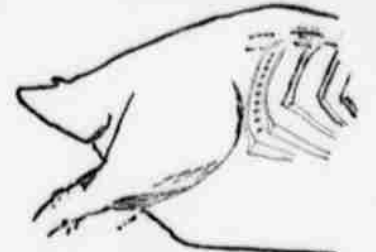


Diagram Showing Where Incision Should Be Made Between Last Two Ribs.

As a result of the more peaceful disposition, the capon continues to grow and his body develops more uniformly and to a somewhat greater size than is the case with the cockerel of the same age. For a time the cockerel and the capon make about equal development, but in a short time the capon outstrips the cockerel in growth.

As they do not fight nor worry one another, a large flock of capons may be kept together. Coupled with the better growth is the fact that the capon brings a better price per pound. Cockerels up to 5 months old usually bring from 12 to 18 cents a pound; if held longer than this they are classed as old cocks and do not bring more than 6 to 12 cents a pound.

There are two reasons, then, why it is better to caponize surplus cockerels than to raise them for market as such: (1) There is an increase in weight, and (2) the price per pound is materially increased.

Yet in many localities where especially fine poultry is raised, while capons usually sell for a somewhat better price the difference is not great. In fact, for the Boston market many capons are picked clean and sold as "South Shore roasters." Hence it will be seen that the profit in capons must depend to a great extent upon local conditions.

In selecting the breed best suited for caponizing, several factors must be taken into consideration. Large capons bring the best prices. Consequently the breed should be large. It does not pay to caponize small fowls. Yellow legs and skin, as in other classes of poultry, are most popular.

The Plymouth Rocks, Light Brahmas, Cochins, Indian Games, Langshans and Wyandottes are all recommended by different producers, as are also various crosses of these. The Brahmas and Cochins possess good size. By some the Brahmas are claimed to be difficult to operate upon; by others this is denied. The Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes are somewhat smaller, but sell readily and possess the advantage of yellow skin and legs. The Langshan is large and is easily operated upon. The Indian Game is probably the most useful as a cross upon some one of the



Method of Securing Fowl; Also Spreader in Place.

other breeds, thereby improving the breast meat without materially reducing the size of the fowl. In Massachusetts the Brahma was formerly the most popular breed for this purpose, because of the demand for large birds for roasters. Later, crosses between the Light Brahma and the Barred or White Plymouth Rock became quite popular, while at present the pure Barred and White Plymouth Rocks are also considered suitable and are widely used.

Prevents Indigestion.  
Charcoal is very effective in preventing indigestion, which is a common ailment among poultry of all kinds and of all ages, and as is very well known by all who are in the business, indigestion is one of the forerunners of poultry diseases.



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